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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrator's Board of Directors, CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The National Cable & Telecommunications Association (NCTA) nominates Julie P. Laine of Time Warner Cable to the Board of Directors of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). This nomination is submitted for the USAC Board position pursuant to section 54.703(b)(5), which provides that one director "shall represent cable operators."<sup>1</sup> The position is currently held by Jose Jimenez of Cox Communications, Inc. Mr. Jimenez's term will expire on December 31, 2013.<sup>2</sup> He has done an excellent job as the cable industry representative for the past three years and we thank him very much for his service.

Ms. Laine is the Group Vice President and Chief Counsel of Time Warner Cable's Regulatory Group, where, among other responsibilities, she oversees the company's involvement with the federal Universal Service Fund and its programs. Ms. Laine has been with Time Warner Cable since 2002, and, as demonstrated in her attached resume, has had an extensive career in the communications industry, including working as an attorney advisor in the Federal Communications Commission's Common Carrier Bureau.

If any questions arise concerning this matter, please contact Jennifer McKee in NCTA's legal department at (202) 222-2445.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ **Rick Chessen**

Rick Chessen

Attachment

cc: V. Robinson, C. Tyler

<sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.703(b)(5).

<sup>2</sup> *Wireline Competition Bureau Seeks Nominations for Six Board Member Positions on the Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors*, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21, Public Notice, DA 13-1952 (Wireline Comp. Bur., Sept. 23, 2013).

# JULIE P. LAINE

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## SUMMARY

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Accomplished senior advisor and cable executive, managing a thirteen member section of the Law Department for the second largest multiple system operator in the United States. Significant expertise in regulatory, government affairs, and compliance, with substantial broad-based experience in multiple areas, including litigation management, intellectual property, M&A and general transactional work, with outstanding communication, client service, and relationship management skills. History of successfully delivering innovative legal and business solutions based upon sound and resourceful analysis and strategy. Acknowledged by peers, subordinates, and senior leadership for tenacity and the ability to effectively and gracefully manage the dynamics of a rapidly changing environment.

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**TIME WARNER CABLE, New York, NY**

*February 2002 – Present*

*Group Vice President & Chief Counsel, Regulatory*

- Responsible for legal, regulatory, and compliance matters in connection with Time Warner Cable's offering of advanced video, data, voice services, retail and wholesale telecommunications, and wireless services, including local, state and federal regulatory compliance; policy development and advocacy; interconnection strategy and policy; and vendor agreements.
- Manage Regulatory Group within Time Warner Cable's Law Department, including a staff of eleven professionals and significant group budget.
- Represent Time Warner Cable before local, state, and federal legislative bodies and administrative agencies on policy, litigation, and compliance issues relating to cable, telecommunications, wireless services, and Internet and VoIP-based services.
- Work closely with senior management on product strategy and development for the deployment of Time Warner Cable services, including video, data, voice, wireless and telecommunications services.
- Provide legal, regulatory, compliance and strategy advice to senior management team as well as all Time Warner Cable operating markets across the United States on issues relating to Time Warner Cable residential and business services.
- Provide compliance, regulatory, and legal advice to transactional teams in connection with vendor relationships, strategic transactions, mergers and acquisitions, and other transactions.
- Manage regulatory litigation and government investigations involving state and federal agencies.
- Oversee the negotiation, drafting, and arbitration of interconnection agreements pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996, as well as overseeing the resolution of interconnection disputes.

**NET2PHONE, INC., Newark, NJ**

*September 2000 – January 2002*

*Associate General Counsel*

- Responsible for all domestic and international regulatory affairs involving telecommunications and Internet-related issues.
- Negotiated, drafted, and reviewed domestic and international bandwidth, network, interconnection, and collocation agreements involving voice and data networks.
- Monitored and participated in domestic and international regulatory and legislative proceedings involving IP networks, including proceedings addressing Voice over IP services; the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act; inter-carrier compensation; the regulation of xDSL and cable modem services; online privacy; peering; and E-NUM.
- Represented Net2Phone before the Federal Communications Commission, Congress, and international regulatory agencies in connection with telecommunications and Internet-related regulatory policies, compliance with communications regulations, and licensing issues.

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, Washington, D.C.**  
*Attorney Advisor, Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau*

*May 1999 – September 2000*

- Drafted orders and memorandum opinions developing market-opening policies and regulations affecting wireline telecommunications carriers and implementing the interconnection requirements of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.
- Reviewed Bell Operating Company applications to provide in-region interLATA service to determine whether applicants were in compliance with the requirements of the 1996 Act and drafted Commission orders ruling on same.
- Reviewed Bell Operating Company and other telecommunications industry merger transactions and drafted orders and conditions in connection with the transactions, including the Qwest-USWest and AT&T-MediaOne transactions.
- Coordinated the multi-Bureau review of the merger of Bell Atlantic and GTE and drafted several portions of the opinion and order granting the companies' merger application.
- Member of the Commission's "Virtual" Broadband Division, responsible for addressing rules and policies designed to facilitate the deployment of advanced services and monitoring such deployment throughout the U.S.

**McDERMOTT, WILL & EMERY, Washington, D.C.**  
*Associate*

*April 1998 – May 1999*

- Represented clients before the Federal Communications Commission and Congress in various aspects of communications regulation, including wireless telecommunications, Internet, common carrier, cable modem "Open Access," and cable television issues.
- Assisted clients with spectrum acquisition activities, including negotiating and drafting spectrum sales agreements.

**HOWREY & SIMON, Washington, D.C.**  
*Associate*

*September 1996 – April 1998*

- Represented Fortune 500 clients in federal merger review proceedings and complex antitrust, intellectual property, and commercial litigation proceedings.
- Extensive experience in trial, motions, and discovery practice, including arguing motions in U.S. District Court, taking depositions, and second-chairing witness examinations at trial.

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## EDUCATION

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**COLLEGE OF WILLIAM & MARY, Williamsburg, Virginia.**  
*Juris Doctor, May 1995.*

- Student Articles Editor, *Administrative Law Review*, 1994 - 1995.
- President, Student Bar Association, 1994 – 1995.
- Commencement Speaker, 1995.
- Author, "Regulatory Reform in Transition: The Dismantling of the Glass-Steagall Act," Note, *Administrative Law Review*, Fall 1995.

**UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.**  
*Bachelor of Arts, May 1991.*

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## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & LICENSES

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2007 - 2008: Completed year-long program as a Fellow in the Women in Cable & Telecommunications "Betsy Magness Leadership Institute."

Licensed to Practice Law in New York, the District of Columbia, and New Jersey.